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CHIANG SUCCESS Troops Spreading Out In Manchuria

CHUNGKING, NOV. 20.—CHINESE NATIONALIST TROOPS HAVE PLUNGED 12 MILES INTO MANCHURIA BEYOND THE FALLEN COMMUNIST CITADEL OF SHANHAIKWAN AND FANNED OUT 30 MILES TO THE WEST. A COMMUNIST SPOKESMAN DECLARED TO DAY BUT SIMULTANEOUSLY THE SPOKESMAN ASSERTED THAT "POPULAR" TROOPS WERE GOING TO TAKE OVER MANCHURIA'S CAPITAL, CHUNGKING, 110 MILES NORTH EAST OF SHANHAIKWAN, WHEN THE RUSSIAN FORCES WITHDRAW ON DECEMBER 1.

Fierce Fighting In Iran

TEHRAN, NOV. 20.—FIERCE FIGHTING IS TAKING PLACE IN MIANDEL IN AZERBAIDJAN PROVINCE IN NORTHWEST PERSIA. THE COMMUNIST SPOKESMAN HERE

Fighting is also believed to be taking place at Tabriz, capital of the Province, but there is no confirmation.

The Iranian Commander at Tabriz has issued a proclamation declaring that all districts under his command will be defended by his troops.

The Iranian battalions, which have been sent North to Tehran, are expected to reach the city in a few days.

The Russian authorities are believed to have given tacit consent to the Iranian troops being sent North. Two "democratic" committees from Tabriz have been arrested at Tehran.

After a secret meeting today of the Iranian Parliament, the possibility of an Iranian mission proceeding to Moscow is being discussed.

Further reports on the Persian crisis will be found in Page 3.

PORTUGAL'S "ELECTIONS"

LISBON, NOV. 20.—OPPONENTS OF PORTUGAL'S DICTATOR, ANTONIO DE OLIVEIRA SALAZAR, MAY KNOW POSSIBLY IN A WEEK HOW EFFECTIVE THEIR CAMPAIGN TO KEEP VOTERS FROM THE POLLS HAS BEEN IN YESTERDAY'S ANTI-COMMUNIST ONE PARTY ELECTION.

There will be no official tabulation of the votes perhaps as long as eight days which is the constitutional maximum but the result is a foregone conclusion since half a dozen opposition parties refused to present candidates claiming insufficient time to prepare for the election.

Unofficial reports state that approximately 56 per cent. of registered voters cast their ballots, and 943,000 of Portugal's 7,000,000 population registered.

Associated Press.

SPEEDING IT UP

London, Nov. 20.—The Cabinet has decided to advance by twelve months the presentation of the Social Insurance Bill and now intends to have the Bill before Parliament in the present session for its first reading before Christmas.

It is hoped that the measure will be through the House of Lords and will become law in May and payments under the new act will be made in September next.

This information was conveyed during the week-end to each of the 600 branches of the National Federation of Old-age Pensioners' Association.—Rout.

LABOUR VICTORY

London, Nov. 20.—The House of Commons today re-endorsed the Labour Government's tax programme overriding Conservative charges that it was extremely extravagant. The measure goes to the House of Lords after the next reading.

The programme provides for higher levies on large incomes and a 40 per cent. cut in the industrial excess profits tax.

The Labour Government has pledged itself to nationalize gas and electric utilities, railways and other inland transportation.—Associated Press.

15 Dead In Air Crash

Brisbane, Nov. 20.—Fifteen persons including 12 Americans and three Australians were killed when an Australian National Airways plane crashed at Lept. An American lieutenant was the lone survivor.—Associated Press.

Suicide Of Baron Honjo

TOKYO, NOV. 20.—BARON KWANTUNG SHIGERU HONJO, ACCUSED OF CREATING THE MURDER INCIDENT, KILLED HIMSELF AFTER READING IN NEWS PAPERS THAT GENERAL MACARTHUR HAD ORDERED HIS ARREST.

Honjo's slashed body was found by his secretary on the floor of his office. His son told reporters that the General was afraid he might face criminal charges.

"He told us he would go to court and express his belief and then take whatever responsibility fell on him," said Honjo's son. "There was no sign that he had contemplated suicide."

Honjo, who was 65, commanded the Kwantung Army from 1931 to 1935 when he used to create the Mukden incident to engage China in war.—Associated Press.

Another Nazi Goes On The Sick List

SUERBREM, NOV. 20.—ERNST KALTENBRUNNER, CHIEF OF THE NAZI SECURITY POLICE WHO WAS TO FACE THE INTERNATIONAL TRIBUNAL HERE TOMORROW SUFFERED FROM A BRAIN HEMORRHAGE LAST NIGHT. HE IS IN SUCH A CRITICAL CONDITION THAT HIS NAME IS BEING STRICKEN FROM THE LIST OF THE DEFENDANTS. IT WAS LEARNED OFFICIALLY TO DAY.

Kaltenbrunner was rushed to hospital. His condition will be critical for the next week or ten days, doctors said, but his chances of recovery are good.

With his absence, only 19 of the 24 top-ranking Nazis listed in the original indictment will be on hand for the opening session should it begin on schedule.

France and the Soviet Union are pressing for a postponement in an attempt to force an indictment on the 38-year-old Alfred Krupp as a substitute for his son, Fritz.

Absent from the list of those indicted will be Rudolph Hess, No. 3 Nazi reported to be generally incapable, Krupp who is suffering from softening of the brain, Dr. Robert Ley, who hanged himself and Martin Bormann, No. 2 Nazi and Hitler's Deputy who is officially listed as missing and will be tried in absentia.

OPENING TO-DAY
The International War Crimes Tribunal failed to rule on the last minute actions which threatened to delay the trial of the Nazi hierarchy. An American spokesman said that the silence indicated that the trial would open on Tuesday morning as scheduled.

One of the issues was removed when the Russians named Colonel Yuri Pokrovsky, deputy Soviet prosecutor to act as chief prosecutor.—Associated Press.

PANAMA VULNERABLE

Washington, Nov. 20.—Discovery of the atomic bomb may force re-building of the Panama Canal, it was disclosed by the House Merchant Marine Committee as it approved a Bill calling for a study whether re-building of the project should be attempted. If it is rebuilt there is an idea to eliminate the locks which are particularly vulnerable and make the canal a sea-level waterway.

The study may also consider the possibility of enlarging the Canal to allow aircraft carriers and larger vessels of the United States to go through. Now the largest carriers are unable to pass and the 46,000-ton Missouri can barely squeeze in.—Associated Press.

WANTED, POLICE RECRUITS

LONDON, NOV. 20.—TWO CHIEF CONSTABLES ARE LEAVING BRITAIN SOON TO VISIT THE ARMED FORCES OVERSEAS FROM WHOM THEY WILL PICK RECRUITS FOR THE BRITISH POLICE FORCE.

Representing 155 Chief Constables, the two officers are Mr. O. J. B. Cole, of Leicester, and Lt. Col. H. P. Hunter, of Staffordshire. Among places they will visit are Cairo and Delhi.

Approval will be brought home for final acceptance. Successful candidates, subject to service requirements, will be released for Class B.

There are 5,000 vacancies for service in the police force.—Rout.

Stalin Expected To Pep Things Up

MOSCOW, NOV. 20.—QUICKENING OF PACE IN RUSSIAN FOREIGN AFFAIRS IS EVIDENT FOLLOWING REPORTS THAT STALIN WOULD RETURN SOON FROM HIS VACATION.

THE FOLLOWING BIG ISSUES MAY BE TACKLED BY STALIN WHEN HE RESUMES HIS DUTIES:

(1) Possibility of another big-three meeting with President Truman and Mr. Attlee;

(2) The three-power declaration on atomic energy and Russia's official attitude on it;

(3) Control of Japan;

(4) Possibility of another meeting of foreign ministers to consider peace treaties.

It is by no means definite that Stalin would refuse to make a trip to London or Washington. Informed Moscow quarters expressed the belief that Truman also might be willing to make the trip if necessary. On the matter of control of Japan, the Russians are appar-

Reds May Boycott Chungking Talks

CHUNGKING, NOV. 20.—A COMMUNIST SPOKESMAN PREDICTED TO-DAY THAT "THE FIRST BIG BATTLE" BETWEEN GOVERNMENT AND COMMUNIST FORCES IN MANCHURIA WOULD BE FOUGHT AROUND CHINSHEN (CHINCHOW) ON THE PEIPING-MUKDEN RAILROAD, 100 MILES NORTH-EAST OF SHANHAIKWAN, WHICH NOW IS IN GOVERNMENT HANDS.

THE PREDICTION CAME AMID THREE MAIN DEVELOPMENTS IN THE TANGLED CHINESE INTERNAL SITUATION: FIRSTLY, THE COMMUNISTS CONCEDED GOVERNMENT FORCES HAD PENETRATED INTO MANCHURIA IN A 12 MILE THRUST FROM SHANHAIKWAN.

Secondly, the Communist News Agency indicated Communists might not send representatives to the scheduled peace talks in Chungking.

Thirdly, the Democratic League held an anti-civil war rally in which several speakers urged the United States to withdraw her forces from China and another appealed for a general strike to emphasize the people's desire for peace.

The Communist spokesman here declared that sympathizers are ready to enter Chungking, capital of Manchuria, the moment the Russians withdraw, which he expected to be December 1. Many Communist Government officials already have fled from Chungking.

The Communists will oppose any advance of Government troops into Manchuria, the spokesman said, and wanted immediate popular self rule established there.

LAST HOPE
The Communist news agency's indication that Communists might not attend the scheduled peace talks in Chungking was based on objections to the Government's "unilateral" decision to convene the National Assembly May 5. If the Communists fail to send representatives, one of the last hopes of achieving an amiable solution of the present crisis will vanish.

General Chou En-lai, Communist No. 2 leader who was to leave for Yenan by plane to report to other Communist leaders and fetch the Red delegation to Chungking, has had to delay his departure until a plane arrives from Shanghai to transport him.

Even if the talks are to be held, they are unlikely to begin before sometime in December.

A SLANDER
The Communist news agency said it was authorized to protest against the recent statement by U.S. Ambassador Patrick Hurley to the effect that Chinese Communists wanted Japanese arms to set up a separate government in China or destroy the present Government. It characterized the charge as "groundless slander."

"This random statement," it said, "was a slur on the Chinese people and democratic peoples in America and provided 'perfect grounds' for demanding his dismissal."

A Chinese press dispatch alleged Chinese Communists had landed on the Manchurian coast from Junk which had transported them from the maritime province of Shantung. The landings, it said, were carried out without obstruction from the Russians, who previously had virtually barred Chiang Kai-shek's Nationalist forces from landing there.—Associated Press.

POET'S DENIAL

Washington, Nov. 20.—EZRA POUND, 66-year-old Idaho-born poet, denied last night on his return from Italy that he ever betrayed the United States in radio broadcasts from Rome, designed to undermine support of the war in this country.—Associated Press.

Indonesian Call For War On British

BATAVIA, NOV. 20.—AN EXTREMIST INDONESIAN RADIO STATION TO-DAY CALLED FOR "WAR ON THE BRITISH" AND ASKED INDONESIAN YOUTHS TO REINFORCE THE RANKS OF THE HARD-PRESSED NATIVE NATIONALISTS IN SEMARANG, THE SCENE OF THE LATEST OUTBREAK ON TROUBLED JAVA.

A DISPATCH FROM SEMARANG SAID THE BRITISH HAVE REPORTED EVIDENCE THAT THE INDONESIAN WERE ENDEAVOURING TO MANUFACTURE BOMBS AND WEAPONS ON A SMALL SCALE THERE.

Sporadic fighting, meanwhile, continued in Batavia.

A British communiqué said that the situation in Central Java "gives cause for anxiety in view of the extremely aggressive attitude of the local Extremists both in Semarang and Jogjakarta."

An Extremist broadcast by a station in the interior of Java came after Premier Sutan Sjahrir of the unrecognized Indonesian Republic had rushed a three-man committee to Surabaya to investigate the fighting there in the hope that a solution might be found.

A British intelligence officer told a news conference that there was no substantiation of the earlier reports of the Japanese providing leadership backing to the Indonesians in Surabaya adding that the latest evidence tended to show that Nationalist fighting "was neither organized or planned nor led."

OFFENSIVE EXPECTED
British military officials to-day feared a new wave of fighting in Central Java where thousands of armed Indonesians are massing as an Indonesian radio station called for war on the British.

The Dutch News Agency Aneta said that there were completely unconfirmed rumours that the "Army of Indonesia Extremists at any moment" would launch a large scale offensive on Batavia.

Aneta said that fighting broke out in the capital city again this morning in the Kramat and Parapatan areas.

In Surabaya, the British confined their activity largely to mopping up the areas already occupied and to artillery fire on the districts where the Indonesians are believed to be located. Associated Press.

BRITISH ADVANCE
Batavia, Nov. 20.—To-day's Allied communiqué says: "125 Brigade advanced a further mile into Surabaya and is at present bombing the area. There was slight opposition, but sniping and machine-gun firing were fairly heavy. An ammunition dump was discovered in the suburb at M school and 60 Dutch women and children were evacuated."

The fifth division reports from Surabaya a limited advance on Sunday night with the capture of one light tank, two 75's, eight mortars and some machine-guns. Our posts in the centre of the town are being shelled apparently from very close range.—Rout.

No Longer Any Fun

Washington, Nov. 20.—The Army's training command has taken note of the changed international situation.

A concise memo instructs that American soldiers no longer will train on rifle and bayonet targets bearing the likeness of Hitler or Hirohito. Bayonets now "are to be plain, featureless blades, without any semblance of facial personality." Associated Press.

Had To Take Him Back

MOTHERWELL, NOV. 20.—THE CASE OF A CHAUFFEUR-HANDYMAN WHO RETURNED FROM MILITARY SERVICE TO FIND HIS EMPLOYER NO LONGER USING HIS CAR AND THEREFORE DID NOT REQUIRE A CHAUFFEUR, CAME BEFORE THE LANARKSHIRE REINSTATEMENT TRIBUNAL HERE TO-DAY.

The applicant, John Murray, of Brankston, Glasgow, Stenhouse, sought reinstatement to the employment of James Gourlay, of Brankston House, Stenhouse, as chauffeur-handyman.

Applicant stated he enlisted in the Army in September, 1939. He was aware his employer had no car at present but in any case the time he formerly spent in driving was only one and a half days working time a week, and the greater part of his time was occupied in cutting grass and other odd jobs. He also stated that a labourer was at present doing this work.

His agent submitted on Gourlay's behalf that back of the job was motor driving and when that was done there was not much left. Applicant had offered himself as a handyman at 36/- a week, plus free house, coal and light but this was not accepted.

The tribunal decided that applicant be reinstated on the terms and conditions he enjoyed before the war.—Rout.

MOVIES BANNED

Tokyo, Nov. 20.—Supreme Allied Headquarters to-day banned all Japanese "nationalistic" films including one of Butsumi, made in Manila with American prisoners as unwilling actors. Japanese companies were prohibited henceforth from making military pictures.—Associated Press.

Old Bailey Story Of Mother's "Shocking Blow"

LONDON, NOV. 20.—A "DEVOTED" WIFE, WHO KILLED HER 7-YEAR OLD SON AFTER RECEIVING A LETTER FROM HER HUSBAND, LT.-COL. R. N. J. BURGESS, ROYAL ARMY ORDNANCE CORPS, SAID HE WAS SERVING IN THE C.M.F. SAYING HE WAS NOT COMING BACK, WAS ACCUSED OF MURDER AT OLD BAILEY TO-DAY BUT WAS BOUND OVER FOR TWO YEARS.

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Mr. Justice Humphreys said: "What you and your husband decide to do has nothing to do with me but I express the hope that you will have nothing more to do with your husband."

"He has shown himself to be the sort of person who might have a very bad effect upon you and I do not think he is the sort of person to be trusted."

Mrs. Marie Gertrude Burgess, 33, of Palace Gardens, Clacton, took the life of her boy Peter Ronald and tried to take her own by lying on a pillow underneath the gas oven and turning on the gas.

Her husband's letter was found torn up in a sack in the back yard, said the Prosecutor.

"It must have been a shocking blow to her," he declared.

"It was on the day before the tragedy and she was looking forward with great anticipation to the return of her husband."

Mr. John Flowers, K.C., defending, said Mrs. Burgess' husband was anxious to look after her financially, whatever his attitude in other directions.

The mother of Mrs. Burgess said she was willing to look after her daughter.—Rout.

DIPLOMATIC ILLNESS
Stockholm, Nov. 20.—The Helsinki correspondent of the newspaper "Morokkinnens" said to-day that the journey of President Carl Gustaf Mannerheim from Finland to Portugal was considered a "blatant" and that there will be no longer any doubt that Finland will soon hold its Presidential election.

Mannerheim's trip was officially described as an undertaking for his health.—Associated Press.

ONE OF THE THORNS
London, Nov. 20.—J. David Stern, publisher of the "Philadelphia Record" said to-day he believed the British Colonial Office was one of the main thorns in the side of Anglo-American relations and declared that "Americans don't like British policy in Palestine, Indonesia, and India."

He said it represented reactionary factions.—Associated Press.

TELAVIV CUREW
Telaviv, Nov. 20.—The curfew imposed in Telaviv since the recent riots is reliably stated to be a matter of policy and only day to day announcements can be made about the hours during which inhabitants must remain indoors.

The British authorities to-day would give no indication when they intend to withdraw the measure.—Rout.

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DEMobilISATION

The make-up of Hong Kong's population at the present time is such that a good many men are in a position where they take little more than an academic interest in demobilisation announcements. Their time has not yet come, and will not for a considerable time yet. It is, however, interesting to find that quite a number whose group number looms near the prospect with a feeling of regret rather than relief. The demobilisation scheme is, no doubt, a miracle of ingenuity in its intricate balance of conflicting national and personal interests. But, though there are few men who like fighting, there are a great many who enjoy soldiering, of which there is more than of the other in most campaigns.

And yet, when the moment comes at which it is all so different and no fighting, what plan of demobilisation will delay the release of some whose only thought is of going back to their families, and to their music-making, or stock-broking, or book-making, and who are for ever dreaming of things they did with balls and bats. And mocked by hopeless hope, they go to the office in the "Bank holidays" and picture shows, and sports. And going to the office in the "Bank holidays" and picture shows, and sports.

Conversely, could any demobilisation fail to thrust back into civilian life many a man who would have preferred to remain a soldier? Indeed, and in spite of all dangers and hardships, there are those who, when they say good-bye to life in service, with its sudden changes of circumstance, its constant need for improvisation, its succession of friendships within the small closed society of the unit, feel that they are ending an episode more vivid than any other they have known.

Among those nearly thought, there are, no doubt, men of both classes. The natural lovers of soldiering as well as those to whom the sight of a parade ground brings a sickness of heart. For men of either type there will be adventures, tests of the spirit and of character, struggles with "the fell clutch of circumstance," which may, in the new life, be as hard and as exciting as any in the old. But man is the child of his past experiences. No one can have passed through service in a great war unchanged without having acquired some additional equipment for the struggle of life. Neither can he avoid what to some may prove a hindrance, a certain persistent sense of isolation, of being set apart, is some essential apprehensions and sympathies, from those who have not shared his incommunicable experience of service. It is perhaps for that reason that the friendships of war survive with a strange timelessness quality. The friends, though they may never meet, know themselves to share a language none other may speak, and the ancient comradeship warms in secret the hearts of many whose suits are no longer new.

JAPS LEAVE SHANTUNG

Tientsin, Nov. 20.
Repatriation of Japanese nationals from Shantung province has started with the loading of 3,000 Navy personnel on three United States ships under the supervision of the 6th Marine Division.
It is planned to move 3,000 Japanese daily. Japanese civilians will be transported on Japanese merchant ships. The first group is expected to leave in about a week.
It is estimated there are 80,000 to 45,000 civilian Japanese here and 40,000 to 45,000 elsewhere. Associated Press.

STAMPING THEM OUT

Tokyo, Nov. 20.
The Japanese Government was ordered by Allied headquarters yesterday to submit a complete list of all subsidizing grants being paid to private enterprise. A spokesman said that although there were some known subsidies, they were not necessarily all military. They were undertaken essentially to aid the Japanese war effort and now at least they are inappropriate and unnecessary in a peacetime economy. Associated Press.

"TIME" MAGAZINE MAY BE PUBLISHED IN HONG KONG

WHEN HENRY R. LUCE, TIME, LIFE, INC. OWNER RECENTLY SKIPPED THROUGH CHINA HE SUDDENLY DECIDED TO GIVE HONG KONG A MISS AFTER AN ITINERARY THAT INCLUDED CHUNGKING, CHENGTO, SIAM, TAIWAN, TSINAN, PEIPING, TIENTSIN, TSINGTAO, NANKING AND SHANGHAI. HONG KONG, HOWEVER, WAS NOT COMPLETELY FORGOTTEN. HERE FOR SOME THREE OR FOUR DAYS CAME "TIME" MAN WESLEY L. BAILEY, GENERAL MANAGER FOR TIME-LIFE INTERNATIONAL IN ASIA, A TIME, LIFE INC. SUBSIDIARY.

Wes Bailey had a fine time in Hong Kong. He fell into the hands of the British Army and Group and was at one time captured by two Manchurian from the Royal Indian Army Signal Corps. Subsequently he managed to get his own room at the Gloucester Hotel, but left for Shanghai before he could become properly acclimatised. Hong Kong, however, left a deep impression on him.

Mr. Bailey's job here was an item on his tour of Far Eastern centres and his decision is to be considered when Time-Life International (Asia) finally decide what East Asiatic centre to pick out for the publication of "Time Magazine" in the Far East.

PLATES TO BE FLOWN OUT. Glutamate plates are to be flown out by plane from the East Coast. The magazine in the Far East within half a week of the day the magazine is on the stands throughout the United States.

As Mr. Bailey explained to our reporter, the plates should leave Los Angeles on Tuesday night and should be ready for the printing presses in some Far Eastern city, perhaps Hong Kong, by Friday, when it should be on the stands in at least one or two Far Eastern cities, and should the plan work, copies of the Magazine would be flown all over East Asia from the publishing house to be on the stands in every other important city where Asia's millions turn by Saturday.

The plans have not yet been closely or completely studied and much depends on the air transport facilities that will be available.

At the present moment, "Time" is published in Chicago, Philadelphia and Los Angeles, and an edition for the United States Armed Forces has been printed throughout the war in various cities in the rear of the advancing armies to cater to the general nation-wide interest in the publication.

The Far Eastern edition of "Time" now being planned will serve the whole of East Asia from Japan to India. Mr. Bailey is one of the survey workers in the field to decide which particular Far Eastern city to serve East Asia from. At the moment, the four centres being accorded the closest scrutiny in regard to their ideal position for the service are Shanghai, Hong Kong, Manila and Singapore.

Mr. Henry R. Luce, who founded "Time" and was born in China, favours China himself, but the final decision again will depend very much upon air transport facilities and flying times and services.

THE COST. The magazine, however, will cost more than the pre-war 15 cents. It will probably cost about 25 cents or about H.K.\$1. Even at this price, Mr. Bailey contends, it will probably lose money for some time. Working costs will have to come out of "Time" profits in the United States.

Advertising will be open to Far Eastern business interests, but will be on United States charge scales. It is expected that most American firms having large business interests throughout the Far East will advertise.

Time-Life International's world scheme for serving a news-hungry world with up-to-date review of the week's news plans publication for Europe, the Middle-East and Africa, South America, the Pacific (Philippines and Australia), and the Far East (India to Japan). No decision has been reached as to whether the Philippines will be catered for in the Pacific or the Far East scheme.

Another worker on "Time's" survey for the scheme is Mr. William P. Gray, editorial director for the Far East for Time, Life, Inc., who is at present in Shanghai and is expected in Hong Kong shortly.

DUMPED INTO SEA

Singapore, Nov. 20.
Dilapidated and unseaworthy Japanese merchantships now in Malaysian ports will be used to dump many thousands of tons of Japanese munitions into the sea, it was reported today.
These ships will be loaded to their maximum capacity, then taken out to sea and sunk in deep water. —Reuter.

Chicago, Nov. 20.
December and May Rye Futures soared five cents a bushel to new seasonal peaks while other grains advanced near the close after a day of losses. When closed, 114 higher to 318 lower. Corn was unchanged, Oats 1/2 to 1/4 down, Rye unchanged to 5 cents higher and Barley 3/8 to 1/8 off. —Associated Press.

For the convenience of passengers by the 11.15 P.M. train from Hong Kong the last bus leaving Tsimshatsui for Kowloon City and Shumshuipo has been extended to 11.15 P.M.

MISSION'S SUCCESS

Washington, Nov. 20.
The Philippines resident commissioner Romulo in a statement here said that President Osama's mission in the United States had been a real success and added that Osama will give the Philippines an immediate comprehensive report on the results of the mission.

He said: "Because I have been able to observe negotiations at the spot I am confident that our people as a whole will rejoice over the accomplishments here. The President has secured immediate relief and assistance to our people and funds to cover the general operating expenses of our government. He has worked closely with key men in Congress for the furtherance of legislation to provide healthy trade relations between the United States and the Philippines, compensation of war damages to our country and acquisition by our government of surplus American property in the Philippines." Associated Press.

SOLDIER'S APPEAL

San Francisco, Nov. 20.
Federal Judge Louis Goodman said today he would study the transcription of the court martial of Sgt. Albert Benton, who is under life sentence for the fatal stabbing of a Filipino woman in Manila, and would rule Monday on the soldier's petition for a writ of habeas corpus.

The sergeant's petition claimed the counsel assigned him at the court martial was "unqualified, incompetent, negligent and unfaithful."

Government counsel argued that civil courts have no right to review a military court martial. Associated Press.

Moscow, Nov. 20.

The Soviet press and radio have not reported the statement issued by Catholic bishops of the United States yesterday in which they charged religious persecution is prevalent in many lands now in the Russian sphere of influence. Associated Press.

R.A.F. Men Get Canton Line Working Again

TO FOUR MEN OF THE R.A.F. HAS FALLEN THE LION'S SHARE OF THE WORK OF GETTING THE 120 MILES KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY BACK INTO COMMISSION AFTER THREE AND A HALF YEARS OF JAPANESE NEGLECT.

THE TASK UNDERTAKEN BY THESE FOUR MEN, UNDER THE DIRECTION OF LIEUT. COL. I. B. TREVOR, MANAGER OF THE RAILWAY, IS TYPICAL OF THE MANNER IN WHICH SKILLED R.A.F. PERSONNEL ALL OVER THE WORLD ARE TURNING THEIR HANDS FROM WARTIME OPERATIONAL DUTIES TO WORK OF RECONSTRUCTION.

Leader of the quartet is War-pant-officer (Engineer) C. J. Lee, of Milton, Southsea, who has switched to railway locomotives after 22 years' service with the R.A.F. exclusively on aero engines. With him are Cpl. James Masterton, a civil engineering plant operator borrowed from an airfield construction wing, of Edinburgh, and L.A.C. L. Moulden, a blacksmith and welder, of Blackpool. The fourth man—L.A.C. Sutton Phillips, of Southend, is now on his way home.

When they took over the Kowloon sheds and workshops in September they found that all the engines except two had been taken away by the Japs. These two remaining engines were rusting and incapable of moving an inch safely. Lathes, drills and all the other essential workshop machinery were so rusty as to be useless, and the whole area was a malaria death-trap through the failure of the Japs to clear drains and the accumulation of filth and debris. In a few days the four men, without brakes and had been stripped of lights, upholstery and all fittings.

ASSAULT ON CHAOS

Whilst 100 Jap prisoners cleared the site of rubbish and stagnant water the four R.A.F. men and a few Chinese craftsmen—to whose skill all the R.A.F. personnel paid tribute—started the assault on chaos by dismantling, repairing and re-assembling the yard's five-ton steam crane, without which no freight of any consequence could be handled. Before they could do so engineering work they had to harden and temper their own lathes tools.

Everywhere the tracks were out of line and covered with undergrowth, and a test run almost ended in disaster. A newly repaired locomotive left the rails and plunged into a dump of soft ash. It was laboriously raised a foot on thin ramps during the day, but sank back into the ashes nine inches during the night. It took seven days' work to get the engine back on to the metals—and the very next day the second locomotive was used to haul it back was itself derailed.

700 DAILY. "With mishaps like this happening we had to turn out at all times of the night to keep things going," said W/O. Lee. "The trains at Canton rapidly going back to normal."

Rise In H.K. Dollar

The value of the Hong Kong dollar rose sharply on the open market yesterday. At the opening in the morning H.K.\$1 could buy C.N.\$246 and at the close of the market C.N.\$280. The U.S.\$ opened at H.K.\$6.20 to U.S.\$1 and by the close of the market had gone to H.K.\$4.70.

CORRESPONDENCE

Refugees In Macao

Sir, —British Refugees in Macao are somewhat critical of the attitude of the H.K. Government which needs some clarification. The Consul here was instructed to advise that if any refugee returned to H.K. even on a short visit their subsidy would be discontinued. There are many heads of families amongst refugees who would willingly spend a few dollars and venture to H.K. to secure a job if they could only be assured that if they fail to secure one and return that they would not have the subsidies cut off. The present rule is a hindrance against anyone trying to get a job quick and the majority therefore prefer to stay in Macao and await general repatriation. Of course Government may have their own reasons for such an order at present but if they would explain their reason they will not incur criticism and bitterness. Another factor is the uncertain date when Volunteers' wives and widows without abodes in H.K. will be repatriated. They were told it would be next month and then procrastination and then again procrastination. Would you keep us fully posted on this as well as on the general repatriation of refugees here. J. A. G.

Poor Dogs

Sir, Is there not a law in Hongkong that interdits to beat to death in sight of the public? On Monday afternoon, in the courtyard of the National Commercial and Savings Bank, a brutal Chinese beat a poor black chow-chow on its head with a large piece of wood. The atrocious cries of the poor little creature drew to the windows of the surrounding buildings quite a number of people. Without wishing to establish a comparison with the atrocities that we have suffered for the past 44 months, it is a shame to see now a poor dog beaten to death in this way and leave it in agony for more than 20 minutes. JACK LONDON

HEALTH INSURANCE

Washington, Nov. 20.
President Truman has proposed to Congress compulsory health insurance for all persons who work for a living. The White House said that the compulsory insurance programme is not socialized medicine. It would call for the prepayment of costs through premiums adjusted to meet the income of people generally. The President proposed Federal aid for the construction of hospitals and health centres and the expansion of public health services. Associated Press.

ONE-DAY STRIKE

Bombay, Nov. 20.
Bombay mill and factory workers today declared "a one day" strike to mark their support of the Indonesian struggle for independence. A "sympathy" meeting has been arranged for later in the day. —Reuter.

A Chinese who was sentenced for unlawful possession of two tins of tobacco was inadvertently reported in our issue of yesterday as being a mess boy of the China Fleet Club. Actually the man is a mess boy of H.M.S. Tamara.

Amoy Rapidly Going Back To Normal

A CORRESPONDENT WRITES FROM AMOY: AMOY IS RAPIDLY RETURNING TO ITS PRE-WAR PROMINENCE AS A CENTRE OF COMMERCIAL ACTIVITY AND VITAL COASTAL SHIPPING PORT. PEOPLE ARE FLOCKING BACK FROM UP-COUNTRY AND TO-DAY, LESS THAN THREE MONTHS AFTER THE NATIONALIST TROOPS CAME HERE TO TAKE OVER CONTROL, OUR POPULATION HAS MORE THAN DOUBLED, UNTIL NOW IT IS ESTIMATED TO BE WELL OVER 700,000.

An outstanding reason for our rapid recovery is the peace and order that prevail not only in the city itself but also in the surrounding districts, thus allowing of a free flow of trade with the interior.

The city presents a hive of activity, with the shops filled with goods, especially foreign goods which seem to have reappeared from nowhere, one of the unsolved riddles of the hoarding racket. Prices all round have been dropping, and in most lines they are cheaper than in Canton.

RICE PLENTIFUL. Rice is plentiful and is selling at C.N. \$80 a catty. The American fleet which recently put in here did much to liven things up. Instead of poisonous wines and skull-cracking brandies and similar concoctions, that we hear of as having been served in other places, we had more than enough of Johnny Walker and White Horse at C.N. \$12,000 a bottle to go round for all. The feeling here is one of all round confidence. There may be Communist problems elsewhere in China to wrack the brain, but here we are one and all bent on rehabilitation and early recovery, and when we have more ships coming in, we shall be well advanced on the road back to pre-war prosperity and importance.

Single Line Derby Secret

London, Nov. 20. One of the secrets of Lord Derby's racing successes was disclosed in the House of Commons yesterday.

The Labour M. P. for Northampton, Mr. R. T. Paget, speaking on the Government bill to aid the artificial insemination of animals, said the breeding of racehorses was a great gamble because the broods were so mixed up. The success of Lord Derby, who headed the list of winning owners this season for the seventh time, was largely due to the fact that a single line had been built up. This was the line of Poly-mech.

"Apart from these Stanley House stallions we who are owners of the thoroughbred have to a large extent to go to France and Italy for our best stallions," Mr. Paget said.

Poly-mech, who was owned by the late Sally Joel, won any number of races in the early part of this century, including the Cambridgeshire in 1905. (Reuter)

JAPS FLY TO INDIA

Tokyo, Nov. 20. A British plane left for India yesterday, carrying Japanese diplomats and others to the war zone in the eastern part of India. The group included Japanese Ambassador to India, Mr. K. T. Sugawara, and other officials. The plane was a four-engine biplane, and was piloted by a Japanese pilot. It was expected to arrive in India in a few days.

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HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB NOTICE

At a meeting of members held on Saturday, 17th November, 1945, it was resolved that racing in Hongkong should be resumed as soon as possible.

In view of this, the Club wishes to make it known that lists are now open at the Secretary's office, 1st Floor, Exchange Building, where names can be registered as subscribers for Australian Ponies. The lists will close at 6 p.m. on Friday, the 30th November, 1945.

For the benefit of Members of the Services who are not acquainted with the procedure, the Club wishes to point out that several names can be registered for one pony and that there is no difficulty in one or more part owners disposing of his or their shares in a pony in the event of their transfer from Hongkong.

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Insurgents Marching On Persian Capital

TEHRAN, NOV. 20. THE IRANIAN PARLIAMENT HAS DECIDED TO SEND TWO BATTALIONS OF TROOPS TO THE RUSSIAN OCCUPIED AZERBAIJAN PROVINCE WHERE ARMED INSURGENTS HAVE OCCUPIED SOME MAJOR TOWNS AND ARE REPORTED TO BE MARCHING ON THE CAPITAL.

Whether the Russians would permit the entrance of the Iranian forces is uncertain. Previously, troops dispatched to the north to restore government control in the troubled areas have been stopped.

It was reported earlier that armed members of the Separatist Democratic Party had revolted against Iranian government authority in the territory governed by Soviet troops.

Three towns with Indian populations were reported to have been isolated in two days' fighting.

May Abandon Teheran

LONDON, NOV. 20. THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT TO DAY RECEIVED CONFIRMATION FROM TEHRAN OF THE OUTBREAK IN THE NORTHERN RUSSIAN OCCUPIED AREAS OF A REVOLT AGAINST THE CENTRAL GOVERNMENT. NO REQUEST HAS BEEN MADE SO FAR BY THE PERSIAN AUTHORITIES FOR THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT TO INTERLUDE ON THEIR BEHALF.

One point raised by the Persian government in London was whether the Russian authorities were interfering with the security of the Persian Government and preventing them from dealing with the situation. The Persian Government had sent two battalions north.

The rebels had captured a city and had 120,000 troops, 200 aircraft and a number of tanks and would be fully competent to deal with the outbreak. It given no opportunity.

Official Persian circles deny that there could be any real connection between the Azeri and the Soviet Union and that 2,000,000 of them are among Persian Nationalists. The Soviet Azerbaijan Republic, though using a similar language, was distinct in culture and background, they asserted.

MAY APPEAL

These circles added that the Persian Government would probably appeal to Britain and America should it be prevented from exercising its authority.

They said that if the situation deteriorated and the revolutionary march continued it was thought possible the Government might abandon Teheran and establish itself in the south within the British-controlled military zone.

The British attitude will be based on the treaty of 1942, in which Britain and Russia undertook to safeguard Persian sovereignty and independence. The situation is being closely followed here.

Some of the rising actions that of the Kurdish revolt in northern Iran which was reported to be spreading into Turkish territory. It is more than 100 miles from the Moslem officials. (Reuter)

HONG KONG GOT OFF LIGHTLY

Manila, Nov. 20. War damage to public and private buildings in Manila alone is at least 222,863,263 Pesos, Director Horatio C. Laya, acting Director of the Census said in a preliminary report today. The loss is approximately 50 cents American money.

Valuations between pre-war and present inflated cost of construction and replacement of destroyed buildings in the Philippines equalled well over one and three-quarter billion Pesos. Associated Press.

No Importance Attached To American Gold Bill

LONDON, NOV. 20. THE "FINANCIAL TIMES" TO DAY ARGUES THAT NO UNDUE IMPORTANCE SHOULD BE ATTACHED TO THE BILL WHICH IS BEING INTRODUCED IN THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO AUTHORISE GOLD COINAGE AND HIGHER PRICES OF GOLD. THE PAPER SAYS THAT ADMITTEDLY CONGRESS IS SOMETIMES PRONE TO PASS UNORTHODOX MONETARY MEASURES, BUT THERE IS NOW CAREFUL PREPARATION WHEN A MONETARY BILL GOES THROUGH THE LEGISLATIVE MACHINE.

Moreover, the Congress's monetary role has for some time been to curb the Administration's powers on the Stabilisation Fund and devaluation powers.

The present bill is due to a small body of Congressmen, who are entirely without Administration backing. They apparently believe that the Bretton Woods' agreement and early post war trade trends will deprive the United States of gold to an extent which would imperil the open market operations now needed to maintain the very cheap money policy, which has been the keystone of the "New Deal".

GROUNDLESS FEARS. These fears are groundless. The gold reserve requirements against Federal Reserve notes and deposits were reduced to 25 per cent this year, but the present gold cover is about 40 per cent.

The United States Government's contribution to the Bretton Woods Bank and Fund would be about \$5,000,000,000, including \$700,000,000 worth of gold, which has never been part of the Federal Reserve Bank's monetary reserve.

Under dynamic world trade expansion the United States might lose some which would enforce a re-consideration of the Treasury's monetary policy. The Administration, for some time, has been without powers for further devaluation of the Dollar, though the Gold Reserve Act of 1934 empowers the Treasury to buy and sell gold within limits fixed by the Treasury itself. (Reuter)

SOMETHING JAPS COULDN'T DO

Oldham City, Nov. 20. Lieut. General Ira Baker declared yesterday that the United States is in the process of destroying the biggest and most powerful air force in the world—its own.

With regard to Air personnel he said that within a few months 200,000 men will remain in the Air Force, compared with the peak strength of 2,494,000 men.

SQUADRON'S RECORD

Pearl Harbour, Nov. 20. The destroyer U.S.S. "Goadard" belonging to the only squadron in the United States Navy which has been continually in service from the time the Japanese attacked Pearl Harbour until the surrender, is on route to Puget Sound for decommissioning.

Only four of the original nine ships of the squadron which participated in over 30 Pacific operations remain afloat. The other five were lost in action in the South Pacific. Associated Press.

Tokyo, Nov. 20. For the first time in Japan's history, women will be given the same educational opportunities under an education ministry decision revising higher school regulations. Associated Press.

We Ran Warsaw Cafe For Germans

There was a restaurant run by the British Intelligence Service in Occupied Europe during the war, and it catered only for S.S. and German Army officers. This strange restaurant, "The Thatched Roof," was famous in Warsaw for its epicurean food before the war. Then the Germans "took it over" and reserved it for high German officers.

Strangely worded advertisements began to appear asking for staff for "The Thatched Roof" and the Polish Underground grew suspicious.

Normally unobtainable dishes were served by glamorous waitresses. One night came the explanation when the sound of machine gun fire was heard coming from "The Thatched Roof." Passers-by saw the beautiful waitresses they had branded as traitors and other members of the staff bring from the windows on their German clients.

FRANCE GETS ON WITH THE ATOM

LONDON, NOV. 20. FRANCE IS GOING AHEAD IMMEDIATELY WITH THE DEVELOPMENT OF ATOMIC ENERGY, SAYS THE "DAILY MAIL'S" CORRESPONDENT IN PARIS.

He says that, if necessary, the Sahara Desert will be used for experiments.

The Director of Atomic Development for France and the French Empire, M. Raoul Dautry, says: "I shall establish the headquarters of the newly appointed French Atomic Energy Development Commission in or near Paris and get to work. We do not intend to wait and see what other nations are going to do. France will go ahead and harness the atom on her own, if need be, or with the British and other nations if possible." Associated Press.

NOEL-BAKER WANTS TO LEAVE MUDDY WATERS ALONE

LONDON, NOV. 20. THE SUBJECT OF INDONESIA WAS RAISED AT QUESTION TIME IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS TO DAY WHEN THE LABOUR MEMBER, LT. CALAGHAN, ASKED THE MINISTER OF STATE, MR. PHILIP NOEL-BAKER, IF HE COULD USE HIS INFLUENCE TO STOP THE DUTCH FROM MAKING "THESE STUPID ATTACKS" ON DR. VAN MOOK, BECAUSE THEY ONLY WEAKENED HIS POSITION AND LEFT THE BRITISH TROOPS HOLDING THE BABY.

LIEUTENANT CALAGHAN SUGGESTED THAT IT WAS OBVIOUS THAT THE READINESS OF THE HAGUE GOVERNMENT TO NEGOTIATE DECREASED IN PROPORTION AS BRITISH MILITARY SUPPORT INCREASED.

He asked the Minister of State if the Government would make it clear to The Hague that it was not the British task or intention to restore the "status quo" before the war, but that Britain's job was to try and facilitate the negotiations between the Indonesians and The Hague.

Mr. Noel-Baker replied: "I cannot accept the statement put forward by Lieutenant Calaghan. A meeting was held on Saturday last and another meeting is to be held on Thursday, and perhaps we had better not do anything to muddy the waters in the meantime."

NO RECOGNITION

A Communist Member asked if the British Government would now recognise the new Republican Government of Indonesia. In view of the fact that it had stated its intention to hold early democratic elections to the National Assembly and to encourage the formation of political parties reflecting all shades of democratic opinion.

The Minister of State replied: "The answer is in the negative. Such course would be inconsistent with the British Government's recognition of the Dutch sovereignty over the Netherlands East Indies."

Mr. Noel-Baker informed Mr. Calaghan, Communist Member, in reply to further questions, that when the Dutch Prime Minister and Minister of Overseas Territories came to London on November 1 and 2, they had no discussions with the British Government, but came to be in attendance on the Queen of The Netherlands.

Mr. Gallagher had suggested that they discussed the question of Indonesia with the British Government.

Mr. J. J. Lawson, War Minister, replying to a question, said that he was happy to say that there has been no suggestion that the conduct of the British and Indian forces in the Dutch East Indies has been other than exemplary in circumstances which were very trying. (Reuter)

LIGHT FROM BARGE

Manila, Nov. 20. A modern \$3,500,000 Army power barge capable of producing 30,000 kilowatts has arrived to furnish electricity to Manila until the shattered plants of the American-owned Manila electric company are restored.

The barge is one of three of its kind in the world. It was towed across the Pacific. Associated Press.

Rubber Prices

Singapore, Nov. 20. Col. R. M. Williams, chief of the British military administration's trade and industry department, told a press conference today that the current price of 36 Straits cents about 48 Hong Kong cents) a pound for natural rubber is regarded as satisfactory by the producers and consumers.

He said conferences in New York and London among United States, British and Dutch representatives were seeking to reach an agreement for natural rubber prices and methods of assuring the industry a stable future in the face of competition with synthetics. He said the conferences were held to establish stability in the Malayan rubber industry and prevent wild price fluctuations which in the past discouraged long term planning and disturbed marketing of the finished products.

He also said he believed the price of tin would be maintained at not less than £20 per ton, and copper and other produce would be higher than prewar prices. Associated Press.

NEW YORK STOCKS

New York, Nov. 20. Motors were depressed by new automobile price cuttings and the imminent strike threat, led to a general decline in the stock market, although early casualties reduced losses at the close of the market and assorted favourites finished with comfortable advances.

Losers included General Motors and Chrysler. Transfers totaled 2,020,000 shares.

The Associated Press average of 60 stocks was off .02 at 75.03 with 30 industrial shares at 93.94, off .01, 15 railroad shares at 47.7 off .01 and 15 utility shares at 62.2 off .01.

Prominent on the off side were United States Steel, Youngstown Sheet and Goodyear. Ahead were International Nickel, United Aircraft, Anaconda Copper, Kennecott, U.S. Rubber and General Electric. Closing prices for Baldwin Locomotives were 29.78, National Distillers 66.12, Standard of New Jersey 68, Homestake Mining 55.12.

Bonds were mixed and Foreign Exchanges were unchanged, while Cotton Futures closed thirty cents a bale lower to fifteen cents higher. Associated Press.

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Honolulu, Nov. 20. The "Star Bulletin" said today that President Sergio Osmeña is returning to the Philippines with an initial loan of \$750,000,000 and an outright gift of \$4,000,000 from the United States.

The \$71,000,000 is part of the total loan of \$500,000,000 which he negotiated in Washington, the paper said, quoting members of his party on route to Manila. Associated Press.

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(By Reuter's Political Correspondent.)

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A LEAGUE OF ASIATIC PEOPLES LED BY INDIA IS EN-
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LORD STRABOLGI IN AN EXCLUSIVE INTERVIEW
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PEAL TO PANDIT NEHRU FOR PATIENCE AND EN-
DOURED SOME OF THE POINTS MADE IN PROFES-
SOR LASKI'S BLUEPRINT FOR THE IMMEDIATE FUTURE.

Lord Strabolgi, who has been continuously active in sponsoring Indian national aspirations, thinks that a league of self-governing Asiatic nations could play a great part in future development of the United Nations organization and in shaping a new world order developing naturally into world government.

He confessed he had been alarmed by the statements of Pandit Nehru "for whom," he declared, "I have high admiration and respect," that the time had come for a new revolt in India.

"In any case," said Lord Strabolgi, "India is in a state of revolution and it means a new outlook and a new era of freedom and independence. It is a general outbreak of violence, a general outbreak of anything of that sort, and I think it would be most harmful to everything that we and I stand for."

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Football Season Open

SATURDAY WILL MARK ANOTHER STEP IN THE RE-
HABILITATION OF THE COLONY UNDER THE MILITARY ADMINISTRATION WHEN THE OFFICIAL 1945-1946 FOOTBALL SEASON WILL COMMENCE WITH THE FIRST OF A SERIES OF EXHIBITION MATCHES.

The game is between the Army and the Chinese, and will be played at the Sookampoo ground, kick off at 3.30 p.m.

Japanese prisoners of war are being employed in putting the finishing touches to the ground.

The ground will be enclosed with barbed wire but owing to the shortage of material there are no stands and admission to the enclosure is for standing room only.

Admission will be \$1.00 including tax.

There are a fair number of Chinese players in the Colony and others are returning daily. With the practice they put in during the last few weeks these players have now regained their form.

Lee Wei Tong, the Chinese soccer agent, is at present in Canton on business. He is a doubt if he will start for Saturday's match but despite his absence the Chinese can field a very formidable team, and the probable line up will be:

Chu Su Hong, Hui Hau Kwan and Hau Yung Sang; Lo Wei Kuen, Lam Tak Po and Lau Chang Sang; Wong King Ching, Chu Man Chi, Lee Tak Kee, Lai Shui Wing and Ho Ying Fan.

BASKETBALL CONTEST
Wah Yan Chinese students will meet U.S.S. Brannon in a basketball match at the Chinese Y.M.C.A. at 7 p.m. on Thursday this week.

The American team includes O'Neill (Capt.), Monachi, Johnson, Belback, Hughes, Bayers, Seviere, Smith, Spain and Levine (Coach).

LORD STRABOLGI thought the greatest opportunity for 150 years was presented to the Indian community and it was for them to take advantage of it.

"I can't understand why a new revolution should be necessary," he said. "I believe furthermore," he added emphatically, "that the British Cabinet, all of whom I know personally, are perfectly sincere in their intention to carry out the British Labour policy of freedom for India. They don't need any coercion and they will only be embarrassed by violence."

LORD STRABOLGI said he appreciated that the elections in India were likely to be accompanied by unrest, disorder and confusion, and that we must expect "but he wanted this confusion confined within the narrowest limits."

GREAT OLE
"I agree with Professor Laski that an Indian Cabinet should be formed by the Governor-General as soon as the results of the elections are known, and members should be nominated by the principal parties in order that this can be an all-Indian Cabinet during the time that the new constitution is being formed and brought into being by the constituent assembly."

"I believe it would be an act of statesmanship on the behalf of Indian leaders in framing their constitution to be generous to the Indian states which are an integral part of India and have their own life and traditions. It would be good in the long run if their position were safeguarded."

He added that this did not mean that the Indian states could be used as a road block on the forward march of the Indian peoples but that they should be carried along in partnership as part of the federation.

"We in the Labour Government look to India to play a great role in Asia. Modern India has experience of democratic politics and the long association of India and Britain has fitted the Indian people for leadership in Asia, where the whole continent with the exception of Asiatic Russia is going through a great period of change and evolution."

"The Japanese cancer has been cut and I personally would like to see a league of Asiatic peoples formed for mutual help and advantage and with India the leading member of this league."

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Army's powerful football team grabbed all but two of the first place votes in the Associated Press weekly poll on the nation's top-rank college eleven. Others follow in order: Navy, Alabama, Indiana, Notre Dame, Oklahoma A. & M., Ohio State, Michigan, St. Mary's, Texas.—Associated Press.

Committee Loses Face

(By Reuter's Sports Editor)

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The football strike which was only averted by the Football League management committee yielding to the players' demands for better conditions of employment.

Only when the League realized that the players were in earnest about the strike threat did they make a move towards reconciliation. Just three weeks earlier the League refused to allow representatives of the players' union into their meeting, at which the clubs turned down all eleven demands submitted by the union.

Such a change in the space of a week would make it appear that the League considered the strike to empty threat. Some critics interpret this sudden change of attitude as heralding the end of the rigid control the League has maintained on the professional game for the last 57 years, but that body, while losing some "face," still has a firm grip on the reins which is essential if the game is to continue satisfactorily. Reuter.

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League South: Arsenal 3, Plymouth 0; Aston Villa 2, Portsmouth 2; Charlton Athletic 4, Dartford 2; Chelsea 1, Tottenham Hotspur 2; Derby County 5, West Ham United 1; Leicester City 1, Wolverhampton Wanderers 2; Luton Town 1, Notts Forest 4; Millwall 5, Birmingham 1; Southampton 1, West Bromwich Albion 2; Swansea Town 4, Brentford 1.

F.A. Cup 1st Round: Barnet 2, Queens Park Rangers 6; Barrow 1, Netherfield 0; Bath City 3, Cheltenham 2; Brighton & H.A. 3, Romford 1; Bromley 2, Slough 1; Carlisle 5, North Shields 1; Chorley 2, Accrington Stanley 1; Clapton Orient 2, Newport County 1; 3. Gainsborough 4, Wrexham 2; 4. Darlington 2, Stockton 0; Doncaster Rovers 0, Rotherham United 1; Halifax Town 1, York City 0; Hartlepool 1, Gateshead United 2; Kettering 1, Grantham 5; Lovells Athletic 4, Bournemouth & A.A. 1; Mansfield 1, Town 3; 1. Gainsborough 4, Trinity 0; Marine 0, Crosby 4; Stalybridge 0, Northampton Town 5; Chelmsford 1, Notts County 2; Bradford City 2, Port Vale 4; Wellington 0; Reading 3, Alder shot 1; Shrewsbury 6, Walsall 0; Southport 1, Oldham Athletic 2; South Liverpool 1; Tramere Rovers 1; Stockport County 1, Rochdale 2; Sutton 1, Walthamstow Avenue 4; Swindon Town 1, Bristol Rovers 0; Clapton Orient 0, Newport County 1; Trowbridge 1, Exeter City 3; Watford 1, Southend United 1; Wellington 0, Bishop Auckland 1; Walsley 0, Ipswich 3; Yeovil & Peters Utd. 2, Bristol City 2; York Amateurs 1, Lincoln City 0.

Scottish Division A: Aberdeen 4, Hamilton Academicals 0; Clyde 2, Queen of South 2; Falkirk 2, Partick Thistle 1; Hibernian 3, St. Mirren 2; Kilmarnock 2, Celtic 1; Motherwell 1, Third Lanark 3; Queen's Park 3, Morton 4; Rangers 1, Hearts 1.

Division B: Aldridge 3, Ayr United 2; Motherwell 0, Albion Rovers 2; Ayr United 0, Raith Rovers 1; Cowdenbuth 5, Stenhousemuir 1; Dumfries 0, St. Johnstone 6; Dundee United 1, Dunfermline 2; East Fife 1, Dundee 4.

Other Matches: Cardiff City 1, Moscow Dynamics 10; Coventry 1, Chester 5; Norwich City 2, Crystal Palace 5.

Rugger At Twickenham
(By Reuter's Sports Editor)

England—or, as it is officially labelled, "The English XV"—are due to open the international Rugby season on Nov. 24 by playing the unbeaten New Zealand Army touring side at Twickenham.

England's selectors did much travelling up and down the country before choosing the side. Instead of there being a nucleus of internationals to build round, the selectors had to start practically afresh. Their task was made more difficult owing to the absence of any official trials.

Captain for the first international, the Waterloo centre, Jack Howell, is the only pre-war "cap" in the side. One or two played in last season's English Services side but the majority are newcomers.

No caps will be awarded this season.—Reuter.

R.A.F. SOCCER.
A match will be played to-day on the Kowloon Cricket Club Ground, between Kwong Wah II, XI, and R.A.F. II, XI. The kick off is at 4.15 p.m. and the following will represent the R.A.F.: Evans, Connor, Allen, Snowhill, S.L.D., Ritchie, Bailey, Col. Sinclair, Lewis, Caldwell, Goodley, Breeds, Reservoir—Sgt. Hughes, Referee: Banks, Lauchbury.

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